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to which attention is given are the proper limits of state interference, protection, private property in land, the policy of the state in regard to emigration, immigration, colonies, etc. Under each of the titles copious references to recent literature are given, and, in many cases, as one might expect from the editor of the *Allgemeines Statistisches Archiv*, convenient summaries of statistical data are supplied.

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Industrial Evolution. By CARL BÜCHER. Translated by S. MORLEY WICKETT. New York: Henry Holt & Co., 1901. 8vo, pp. xiv + 391.

DR. WICKETT has performed a valuable service by making Professor Bücher's *Entstehung der Volkswirtschaft* more readily accessible to English-speaking students. In the original form the book had enviable success, passing through three editions between 1893 and 1900. Not the least of its merits was that it appealed scarcely less to the "general reader" than to the specialist. This, no doubt, was due in some measure to the peculiar attractiveness of the theme, but it is also true that Professor Bücher has the knack, somewhat rare among his colleagues, of making his work interesting to everyone, without yielding one jot or one tittle of accuracy and thoroughness.

The new title, *Industrial Evolution*, indicates the nature of the work better than the title adopted for the German edition from the longest of the essays. It will be many years before anyone will be in a position to trace the long course of industrial evolution with an approach to completeness, but as a preliminary sketch the present series of essays has but one serious rival—Professor Cunningham's recent books upon the economic aspects of ancient and modern civilization ; and even these volumes are complements of, rather than substitutes for, Bücher's work.

The translation is from the third German edition (1900) and includes the new essay upon "The Economic Life of Primitive Peoples." Dr. Wickett's rendering appears from an examination of various passages to be faithful, and, at the same time, less heavy than many English versions of German originals.

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